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## Latest Telegrams.

### AMERICAN ADVANCE IN CUBA.

Spaniards Fall Back on Santiago. Burning as They Go.

WASHINGTON, June 24.—10 a. m.—The State Department has just received the following cablegram: PLAYA DEL ESTE, June 24.—From a flag of truce I have learned today that Lieut. Hobson and companions are all well. They are confined in the city of Santiago, four miles from El Morro. (Signed) SAMPSON.

### HIT US AGAIN.

NEW YORK, June 24.—A dispatch to the World, from Santiago de Cuba, June 22, via PORT ANTONIO, Jamaica, June 23, says: One man was killed today and eight wounded aboard the Texas. The battleship at the time of landing our troops went to Matanzas to make a feint attack upon the fortifications there, in connection with a land force of Cubans under General Rabi. The Texas silenced the Socapa batteries, but just as the action was ended, a shell entered the battleship and exploded. A. R. Blakely, of Newport, R. I., apprentice of the first class, is dead. The wounded are R. C. Engle, seaman, New York; H. A. Gee, apprentice, Philadelphia; J. E. Lively, landsman, Norfolk, Va.; G. F. Mullen, apprentice, New York; J. E. Nelson, apprentice, New York; R. Russell, apprentice, Philadelphia; W. J. Simonson, seaman, New York; A. Soogvist, seaman, New York. R. Russell is very seriously wounded. The others will all recover.

### MAY BE TOO LATE.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 24.—According to the latest advices obtainable the next expedition to the Philippines will sail Monday or Tuesday next, and General Merritt will follow a day or two later on the Newport.

### TROOPS STILL LANDING.

(Copyright)—On Board Associated Press Dispatch Boat Dauntless, Off BALQUIRI, June 23, by way of HALIFAX direct cable.—Before sunset last night over 4,000 of the 16,500 men on board the transports went ashore. General Kent, with seven transports will remain west of Santiago as a feint until the remainder of the troops here are landed. General Garcia arrived at the camp before dark; 1,500 of his Cubans are expected to effect a junction with General Shafter's men today. As soon as the various commands landed yesterday, they were pushed out

### IN DIRECTION OF SANTIAGO.

At dark they bivouacked and were strung out in a column three miles long, the front resting at Demajayahu

and the rear of the column being within a mile of the base at Balquiri. They were in the following order: Col. Wagner, with a reconnaissance party at Demajayahu, a mile from General Lawton's headquarters; the Twenty-second and Twenty-fourth Colored Infantry, resting at a small creek; the Second Massachusetts, Twelfth Infantry, First Battalion of two companies Tenth Infantry, Second Battalion of Fourth Infantry, "Wood's Rough Riders" dismounted, and a fragment of several regiments bivouacked at Balquiri last night. The landing proceeded until dawn. The men slept on the bare ground, some under tent flies, some under the star-lit canopy. In the morning they washed and were in good spirits. The only disagreeable feature was the mosquitoes and land insects. All the men are

### ANXIOUS TO GET AT THE FOR

and the regiments are to be pushed on to support General Lawton as fast as they are landed. The aggressive attitude of our army on the land has been exceedingly gratifying.

### WE'LL SOON HAVE IT.

PORT AU PRINCE, Hayti, June 24.—According to advices received here this morning, the Americans will soon be masters of Santiago de Cuba, in spite of the steps taken by the Spanish military commanders and Admiral Cervera to defend the place.

### MILES HIMSELF TO GO.

WASHINGTON, June 24.—General Miles, in command of the army, will go to Cuba and direct the military operations in the field, after the preparations for further expeditions by way of Newport News and Tampa have been perfected.

### LAUNDS CONFIRMATION.

ST. THOMAS, D. W. I., June 24.—No information has been received here which tends to confirm the report from Madrid that some Spanish warships at San Juan de Puerto Rico had been engaged with an American cruiser.

### SAMPSON KEEPS THE WIRES HOT.

WASHINGTON, June 23.—Admiral Sampson is in constant cable communication with the Navy Department. Six dispatches were received in rapid succession though the early hours today. Only half hour elapsed between the filing of the last message by the Admiral and the receipt of it in Washington. The dispatches made requisition for supplies of every description and indicated some needed repairs, mostly of a minor character, to the vessels of the fleet. Not a word was said as to any engagement by the troops under General Shafter. A dispatch to General Greely, chief signal officer, from Lieutenant Colonel Allen, in charge of telegraphic communication with the army, dated Playa del Este, indicated that he was making arrangements to extend communication along the shore as far as Aguadorea, about sixteen miles farther westward than Playa del Este.

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